

## ABSTRACT

The **ring mute** is a mute made of sound absorbent material which is attached onto and around the rim of the bell of a brass musical instrument instead of inside the bell of the brass musical instrument. The **ring mute** attachment method creates no apparent air blow restriction or pitch change. This is due to the bell hole of the brass musical instrument not being blocked. The **ring mute**, as with all mutes increases musical expressivity. The position and construction creates a smooth, rounded, smoky, musical expression for brass musical instruments.

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